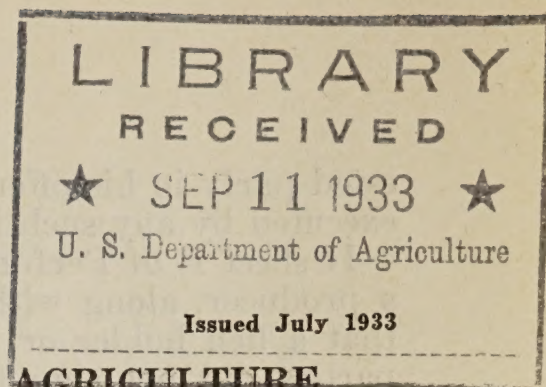


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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

1933 COTTON ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PERFORMANCE AND CERTIFICATION

In accordance with section 5 of the offer to enter into cotton option-benefit or benefit contracts, the Secretary of Agriculture has prescribed certain regulations relating to taking land out of cotton production and certification thereof, and certain forms to be used in connection therewith. These forms consist of the producer's certificate of performance and supporting documents, Performance and Certification, and will be delivered by county agents to producers whose offers have been accepted. The county agent must also instruct the producer, when he delivers the forms, as to the manner in which the producer's land must be taken out of cotton production. No uniform manner of doing this can be prescribed, since the condition of the cotton and the land will vary in different localities. The county agent will be in position to determine what action should be taken to insure complete destruction of the crop growing on the land to be taken out of cotton production and he must instruct producers how to proceed in order to accomplish such complete destruction.

The forms must be carefully executed in accordance with these instructions and must be filled in and signed with ink.

Before the producer takes any land out of cotton production he must carefully comply with section (1) below, if it is applicable to him.

Before the producer takes any land out of cotton production he must take the Notice of Acceptance and the sheet, Performance and Certification, to the local committee operating in his locality. The committee must advise him whether, upon his taking his land out of cotton production according to instructions given by the county agent and his execution of the Producer's Certificate of Performance, they will sign the Local Committee's Certificate of Approval.

(1) CONSENT OF LIEN HOLDERS AND/OR OTHERS INTERESTED IN THE CROP

If sheet A of Performance and Certification has been delivered to a producer, along with his Notice of Acceptance, this means either that such producer named no lien holder and/or other inter-

ested party in his offer or that the consent to his offer was properly executed by any such lien holder and/or other interested party.

If sheet B of Performance and Certification has been delivered to a producer, along with his Notice of Acceptance, this means either that a lien holder or lien holders and/or other interested party or parties did not sign the consent on such producer's offer, or that there was some irregularity in the execution of such consent, and that therefore, it is necessary that all lien holders and/or others interested in the crop shall sign their names to the Consent of Lien holders and/or Others Having an Interest in the Crop (form 100). The blanks in the form must be filled in, and at least one witness to the signature of each such lien holder or other interested party must sign his name in the place indicated on such form.

(2) TAKING LAND OUT OF PRODUCTION AND CERTIFICATION BY PRODUCER

The producer will then be ready, if he has duly performed all the other terms and conditions on his part to be performed under his contract with the Secretary, to take his land out of cotton production. He must completely destroy in the manner prescribed by the county agent all the crop of cotton on the land embraced in his offer as accepted by the Secretary of Agriculture. The blanks in the Producer's Certificate of Performance (form 101) must then be filled in, the description of the land being as explicit as possible and containing references to any natural landmarks, fences, roads, and the like for the purpose of identifying exactly the land taken out of production. The producer must then sign the Producer's Certificate of Performance, have two witnesses sign it, and deliver the entire sheet to the local committee.

(3) CERTIFICATION BY LOCAL COMMITTEE

A member of the local committee must then personally visit and inspect the land covered by the Producer's Certificate of Performance. If the local committee finds, after such inspection, that the producer has completely destroyed in the manner prescribed by the county agent all the crop of cotton on the land covered by the Producer's Certificate of Performance, and has duly performed all the other terms and conditions on his part to be performed, the blanks in the Local Committee's Certificate of Approval (form 102) must be filled in, and the member who made the inspection and two other members of the committee must sign their names thereto on the blank lines provided for the purpose and forward the entire sheet to the county committee.

(4) CERTIFICATION BY COUNTY COMMITTEE

(The term "county agent" as used herein includes not only the official county agent, but also any other representative of the Secretary of Agriculture who may be designated to perform the duties imposed upon the county agent under the 1933 cotton adjustment program.)

If the county committee approves the certification, the blanks in the County Committee's Certificate of Approval (form 103) must be filled in, and three members of the committee, including *in every*

case the county agent, must sign their names thereto in the blank lines provided for the purpose, *the county agent also writing his title under his name*. The county agent must then attach the producer's entire document to the corresponding Memorandum to County Agent and forward to Payment Unit, Cotton Section, Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Washington, D.C.

(5) IF CERTIFICATION OF PERFORMANCE IS REFUSED

If the local committee disapprove the Producer's Certificate of Performance, they must fill in the blanks in the Local Committee's Certificate of Refusal (form 104), sign their names thereto in the blank lines provided for the purpose and forward the entire sheet to the county committee. In any such case the producer may appeal to the county committee, which must hear the matter, making such investigation as it may deem proper.

If the county committee disapprove the Producer's Certificate of Performance they must, regardless of the local committee's action, fill in the blanks in the County Committee's Certificate of Refusal (form 105) and sign their names thereto in the blank lines provided for the purpose. In any such case, the producer may appeal to the Review Unit, Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Washington, D.C.

If either the local committee or the county committee, or both, refuse certification of the producer's performance, the county agent must attach the producer's entire sheet to the corresponding Memorandum to County Agent and forward to Review Unit, Cotton Section, Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Washington, D.C.

